Highway Lane Miles by Functional Classification



According to the U.S. Department of Transportation Highway Functional Classification Manual, functional classification is the process by which streets and highways are grouped into classes, or systems, according to the character of service they are intended to provide.

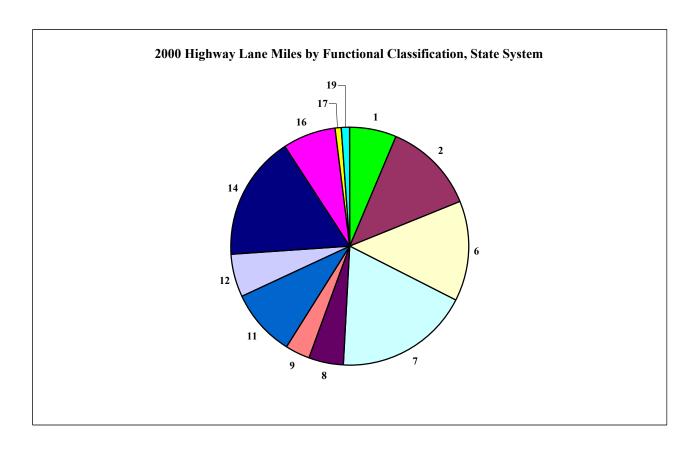


Functional classification defines a process that channels traffic through a hierarchical system of roads from Local Roads (smallest), to Arterials, to Interstates/Freeways (largest).



The State of Maryland actively pursues the transfer of state maintained rural and urban local roads generally serving local community traffic.

Highway Lane Miles by Functional Classification, State System



Functional Classification Codes	Miles	%
Rural		
1 = Interstate	916	6.3%
2 = Other Principal Arterial	1,835	12.6%
6 = Minor Arterial	1,976	13.6%
7 = Major Collector	2,668	18.3%
8 = Minor Collector	710	4.9%
9 = Local	481	3.3%
Urban		
11 = Interstate	1,346	9.2%
12 = Other Freeways & Expressways	839	5.8%
14 = Other Principal Arterial	2,473	17.0%
16 = Minor Arterial	1,036	7.1%
17 = Collector	145	1.0%
19 = Local	142	1.0%